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POSITION DESCRIPTION

Executive Director of Michigan Gaming Control Board

Casino Gaming in Michigan

The Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act authorizes three licensed commercial casinos in the City of Detroit. Native American tribes in Michigan also conduct casino gaming within the state consistent with the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, but as sovereign nations, the tribes are not subject to state regulation.

Michigan Gaming Control Board

The Michigan Gaming Control Board, an autonomous state agency, is headed by a five-member body appointed by the governor subject to the advice and consent of the Michigan Senate. The Board has exclusive authority to license, regulate, and control the three licensed commercial casinos in the City of Detroit and is vested with the broad range of powers necessary and proper to fully and effectively execute and administer the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act for the purpose of licensing, regulating, and enforcing the system of casino gaming authorized in Michigan. The mission of the Michigan Gaming Control Board is to ensure the conduct of fair and honest gaming to protect the interests of the citizens of the State of Michigan.

Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board

The Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board is appointed by the governor, subject to the advice and consent of the Michigan Senate. The Executive Director performs any and all duties assigned by the Michigan Gaming Control Board, and remains subject to supervision by the governor. The Executive Director supervises a staff of more than 100 state civil servants.

The Executive Director is mandated by law to:

- Keep records of all proceedings of the Board and preserve all records, books, documents, and other papers belonging to the Board; and
- Devote his or her full time to the duties of the office. The Executive Director may not hold any other office or employment.

The Michigan Gaming Control Board has delegated to the Executive Director all power and authority to act in the name of the Board with respect to all reasonable, necessary, and appropriate actions to administer and carry out the administrative and executive functions of the Board, including, but not limited to, the power to do any of the following:

- Execute and enter into contracts on behalf of the Board;
- Incur reasonable and necessary expenses in the name of the Board in the manner provided by law;
- Take and hold property on behalf of the Board;
- Hire and fire employees of the Board;
- Issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses;
- Administer oaths;
- Issue and renew temporary occupational and supplier licenses under administrative rules adopted by the Board;
- Request and accept documents, plans, procedures, amendments to procedures, and other information necessary for the Board to carry out its duties under the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act and administrative rules adopted by the Board;

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- Conduct investigations, inspections, audits, share information with law enforcement agencies and the city; and engage in other functions necessary to the proper administration and enforcement of the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act and administrative rules adopted by the Board; and
- Grant requests and waivers, answer inquiries, issue interpretations, and otherwise take any action that is reasonably requested by applicants, licensees, and holders of certificates of suitability in furtherance of, and consistent with, the efficient administration and enforcement of the provisions of the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act and administrative rules adopted by the Board, as determined to be necessary or appropriate by the Executive Director.

The Michigan Gaming Control Board also has delegated the following responsibilities to the Executive Director:

- Consideration and decision, for and on behalf of the Board, of applications by individuals for placement on the list of disassociated persons (casino patrons who make application to the Board pledging not to visit any casino under the Board's jurisdiction and requesting to be placed on the list and barred from such casinos for life as treatment for problem gambling);
- Consideration and decision, for and on behalf of the Board, of requests for Board approval of the transfer, sale, or conveyance of less than 1% in a casino or supplier license applicant or licensee;
- Consideration of staff recommendations and granting or denial, on behalf of the Board, of Level 3 occupational license applications upon the completion of an appropriate background investigation;
- Approval or denial, for and on behalf of the Board, of occupational license renewals.

Under tribal-state gaming compacts between the State of Michigan and Native American tribes conducting casino gaming in Michigan consistent with the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, Native American tribes and the State of Michigan have agreed that the State of Michigan is authorized to:

- Inspect tribal facilities and documents to assure compliance with tribal-state gaming compacts and any related agreements;
- Examine electronic games of chance at tribal casinos to assure the devices operate in compliance with tribal-state gaming compacts; and
- Conduct financial audits to assure that payments by tribes to Michigan governmental entities are made consistent with obligations under tribal-state gaming compacts.

An individual may not be appointed Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board if either of the following apply:

- During the 3 years immediately preceding the appointment, the individual held any direct or indirect interest in, or any employment by:
 - A person or entity licensed to operate a casino under the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act or in another jurisdiction;
 - A person or entity with an application to operate a casino pending before the Michigan Gaming Control Board or any other jurisdiction; or
 - A casino enterprise.
- The individual or his or her spouse, parent, child, child's spouse, sibling, or spouse of a sibling is a member of the board of directors of:
 - A person or entity financially interested in any person or entity licensed as a casino licensee or casino supplier;
 - Any person who has an application for a license pending before the board;
 - A casino enterprise.

The Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board must be of good moral character and possess the reputation, experience, and ability necessary to assure that the integrity of the Michigan Gaming Control Board and its work is maintained.

The position of Executive Director of the Michigan Gaming Control Board requires dedication, integrity, fairness, astute leadership, keen insight, detailed legal knowledge, and prudent judgment.